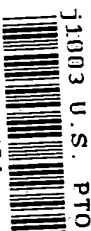


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Box **PATENT APPLICATION**  
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Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of Tetsuya ISHIKAWA, and Takashi KITAJIMA for COLLAGEN-BINDING PHYSIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE POLYPEPTIDE.

- ☐ Applicant(s) hereby request(s) that the above-captioned application **NOT BE PUBLISHED** under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.
- ☐ Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure \_ for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.

Also enclosed are:

- ☒ 21 sheet(s) of ☒ formal ☐ informal drawing(s);
- ☒ a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is ☒ hereby made to 11-041913 filed in Japan on February 19, 1999 and 11-311364 filed in Japan on November 1, 1999;
- ☒ in the declaration. **Note: Certified copies of the priority documents listed above were filed in parent Application Serial No. 09/507,691 on June 30, 2000 and acknowledged by the Examiner on November 2, 2000.**
- ☐ a certified copy of the priority document;
- ☐ a General Authorization for Petitions for Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees;
- ☐ an Assignment document;
- ☒ an Information Disclosure Statement Transmittal, an Information Disclosure Statement, a PTO Form 1449, 16 references and a copy of the International Search Report dated May 23, 2000;
- ☐ a patent application bibliographic data sheet; and
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ An ☐ executed ☒ unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)  
☒ also is enclosed ☐ will follow.
- ☒ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the following paragraph:



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--This application is a continuation-in-part of Application Serial No. 09/507,691 filed on February 22, 2000; the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference. This application also claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 to 11-041913 filed in Japan on February 19, 1999, and 11-311364 filed in Japan on November 1, 1999; the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--

☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.

☒ The filing fee has been calculated as follows ☒ and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

| C L A I M S   |                  |            |                 |                   |                |
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|   | No. OF<br>CLAIMS |            | EXTRA<br>CLAIMS | RATE              | FEE            |
| Basic Application Fee   |                  |            |                 |                   | \$710.00 (101) |
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- ☒ This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 710.00 is enclosed for the fee due.
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- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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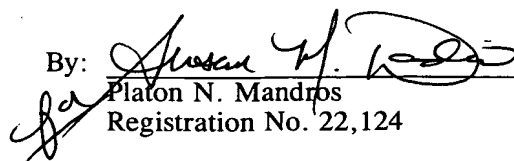
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